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**Re: Application No. 10/040,126 for Utility Patent for BASEBALL BATting STRIDE  
DEVICE; Filing Date 4 January 2002; Inventor: Gary A. Barth**

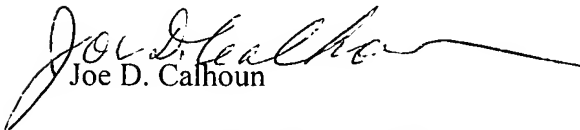
Dear Sir or Madam:

I represent the Inventor concerning the above referenced utility patent application.  
Accompanying this letter are the following documents:

1. Utility Patent Transmittal Form;
2. Fee Transmittal, with fee check in the amount of 385.00;
3. Continuation Utility Patent Application including Detailed Description of the Invention, 20 claims and 2 sheets of drawings;
4. Declarations (2) signed by the Inventors;
5. Powers of Attorney (2);
6. Nonpublication Request; and
6. A return postcard acknowledging your receipt of the above.

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Very truly yours,

  
Joe D. Calhoun

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Enclosures

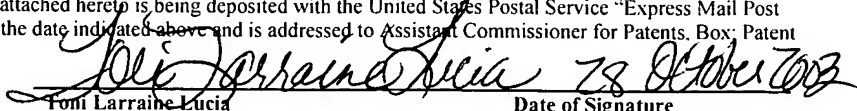
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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	006.001B
First Inventor	Gary A. Barth
Title	BASEBALL BATTING STRIDE
Express Mail Label No.	ER 239764883 US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

## ADDRESS TO:

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 18]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 2]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 3]
  - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
  - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ Paper
  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other: .....

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 10/040,126.....

Prior application information:

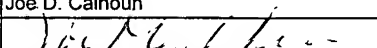
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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>for FY 2004</b> <i>Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.</i>		<b>Complete if Known</b>	
		Application Number	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Filing Date	04 January 2002
		First Named Inventor	Gary A. Barth
		Examiner Name	
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		1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
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		1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
		1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
		1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
		1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
		1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
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		1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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		1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
		1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor

Gary A. Barth

Title

BASEBALL BATTING STRIDE AND SYSTEM

Attorney Docket Number

006.001B

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

28 October 2003

Date

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